

SPF/SIG Executive Committee Meeting
August 22, 2006
Indiana Government Center Room A
1 pm to 3 pm

Attendance: Sheriff Mark Frisbie, Chair, Rachel Friend, Jon VonArx, Scott Tittle, Cathy Boggs, Jeff Barber, Sue Uhl, Jason Hutchens, John Viernes, Eric Wright, Kim Manlove, Celia Learid, Lisa Hutchison

DMHA Staff: Mary Lay, Dave Bozell, Martha Payne, Jeanette Grissom

Welcome and Introductions

The chair welcomed everyone. The announcement was made that Jon Von Arx, has taken Jason Barclay's position in the Governor's Office. With this move, Sherriff Frisbie recommended that Jason Hutchens, with ICJI take the role of vice chair for the SAC. Since Jason is not currently on the SAC, his name will be submitted to the Governor's Office for inclusion and appointment as Vice-Chair.

Kim Manlove announced that there are 3 vacancies on the SAC. Kim and Sheriff Frisbie will work to secure names for submission to the Governor's Office.

Staff and Budgeting Update

John Viernes, DMHA Deputy Director, gave an update on the budget for the project. The budget is on track. The contract with Fairbanks is in its final stages and will be fully executed shortly.

Review of Minutes of 7/26/2006 Advisory Council Meeting

The minutes for the meeting were reviewed. As a result of an emergency Sheriff Frisbie was unexpectedly called away and Jason Hutchens took over as meeting chair.

Workgroup Updates

Evaluation: Jeff Barber reported on the activities of the evaluation workgroup. They are recommending training for the SAC to assure the entire group is on the same page regarding the basics of evaluation principles and strategies.

Training and Outreach: Lisa Hutchison reported on the activities of the workgroup. The main focus will be to develop mechanisms and resources for information dissemination. The Executive Committee requested that the Training and Outreach workgroup look at some PR/Information materials that could be used to promote the SPF SIG Project and update communities on process and progress.

Strategic Plan/Allocation Strategies

Dr. Eric Wright led the discussion on the options for using the priorities to make funding decisions.

The committee discussed the possible allocation strategies and the potential positive and negatives consequences they present.

One major area of discussion was capacity. How will it be defined? How will be enhanced? It was discussed that one major action of the SPF SIG award is to build the infrastructure for the state that will increase the use of evidence based practices, communication and data sharing.

The conclusion was to keep all 6 priority areas; fund communities ready to implement the SPF (high capacity) and fund some communities (low capacity) with short term grants to develop their local capacity and infrastructure. The communities applying that are ready to begin the SPF process (high capacity) will be given a funding range, which will provide a basic amount for those communities applying for capacity development. Those applying for the capacity dollars would have a chance to apply for SPFSIG program dollars at a later date—the number of these kinds of grants will be limited.

Dr. Wright will develop the draft Strategic Plan for the SAC to review later in September.

Agenda Items for 9/26/2006 Advisory Council

Kim Manlove will send out a draft agenda for the Advisory Council Meeting for review.

Adjournment

Minutes submitted by Mary Lay

